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TAGS: APER, CGEN

SUBJECT: TDY IN VIETNAM - SECOND TRANCHE POTPOURRI

1. REFERENCE FLANEGIN-JOHNSON TELECON OF JULY 5: ALLITTO AND CAREY HAVE NO INTEREST IN EXTENDING THEIR TDYS IN VIETNAM BEYOND AUGUST 14. THEY PLAN LENGTHY HOME LEAVE/HONEYMOON IN U.S. AND RETURN TO MADRID. EMBASSY HOPES THAT TWINING OR REPLACEMENT CAN ARRIVE NLT JULY 20.

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT BRIAN KIRKPATRICK, SECOND TRANCHE TDY FSO NOW IN BANGKOK, IS PREPARED TO TRAVEL TO SAIGON O/A JULY 16 IF HE RECEIVES TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION. REQUEST ISSUANCE ASAP.

3. EMBASSY WAS DISMAYED TO LEARN RECENTLY THAT A NUMBER OF TDY OFFICERS, ACTING ON AUTHORITY IN THEIR EA BUREAU TRAVEL ORDERS, HAVE PERFORMED CONSULAR DUTIES, INCLUDING NOTORIALS. SINCE THEY LACKED LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DO SO AND QUESTIONS MAY ARISE OVER LEGALITY OF DOCUMENTS INVOLVING SUBSTANTIAL SUMS OF MONEY, REQUEST DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF ISSUING CONSULAR ASSIGNMENT COMMISSIONS RETROACTIVELY TO ALL FIRST TRANCHE TDYS ASSIGNED TO CONGENS AND TO ALL OF SAME IN SECOND TRANCHE.  
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4. REQUEST FUTURE COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING SECOND TRANCHE  
TDY BE HANDLED AS UNCLASSIFIED TO MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE.  
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